

**BEFORE THE WASHINGTON STATE
UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION**

In the Matter of the Request of)	DOCKET NO. UT-021592
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INTEGRA TELECOM OF)	
WASHINGTON, INC.)	
)	ORDER APPROVING WAIVER
For Assignment of Numbering)	FOR ASSIGNMENT OF
Resources.)	NUMBERING RESOURCES
.....)	

BACKGROUND

1 Integra Telecom of Washington, Inc., (Integra) notified the Commission on December 3, 2002, that due to numbering limitations of its customers in the Bellevue Rate Center, it would need a block of 1,000 numbers with a leading digit other than "0" to satisfy service requests.

FINDINGS AND CONCLUSIONS

- 2 (1) On December 28, 2001, the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) issued an order establishing a "safety valve" allowing carriers that do not meet the utilization threshold in a given rate center to obtain additional numbering resources apart from the general waiver process. (*In the Matter of Numbering Resource Optimization*, Third Report and Order and Second Order on Reconsideration, CC Docket 99-200, FCC No. 01-362, ¶¶ 57-66 (December 28, 2001)). Specifically, the FCC granted to state commissions the authority to direct the Pooling Administrator (Neustar) to release a block of numbers to a carrier to satisfy a specific customer request that cannot be met with the carrier's current inventory. (*Id.* ¶ 64).
- 3 (2) The Commission has jurisdiction over this matter pursuant to 80.36.610 RCW, which gives the Commission authority to take actions necessary to implement the Federal Telecommunications Act of 1996.
- 4 (3) Normally, additional numbering resources are granted only when existing

resources are forecasted to exhaust within six months. [47 CFR 52.15(g)(3)(iii)].

- 5 (4) The Pooling Administrator website reports an inventory of 105 blocks of 1,000 numbers in the Bellevue rate center, and indicates that the exhaust of NPA 425 is scheduled for 3rd Quarter 2012.
- 6 (5) This matter was brought before the Commission at its regularly scheduled open meeting on December 31, 2002.

ORDER

7 THE COMMISSION ORDERS:

- (1) Neustar, Inc., acting as the Pooling Administrator, release a block of 1,000 numbers, with a leading digit other than "0" in the Bellevue rate center of Number Plan Area 425 to Integra Telecom of Washington, Inc.
- (2) The Commission retains jurisdiction over this matter to take such future actions as may be appropriate.

The Commissioners, having determined the following Order to be consistent with the public interest directed the Secretary to enter this Order.

DATED at Olympia, Washington, and effective this 31st day of December, 2002.

WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

CAROLE J. WASHBURN, Secretary